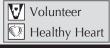


# Winter-Spring PRESCHOOL POSSIBILITIES 2013



For more information, contact the Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department at (812) 349-3700 or visit us at bloomington.in.gov/parks. Register at bloomington, in, gov/parks or stop by the office at City Hall, 401 N. Morton St., Suite 250.

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Inclusive Approach to Recreation: All City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation programs are inclusive to people with and without disabilities. Please contact our Inclusive Recreation Coordinator Amy Shrake, CTRS, for more details: (812) 349-3747 or shrakea@bloomington.in.gov.

#### PRESCHOOL SOCCER at the Twin Lakes Recreation Center



Classes feature age-appropriate activities and small-sided games to promote balance, coordination, creativity, and comfort with the ball. Shin guards required; either sneakers or cleats are appropriate.

Register online at bloomingtonsoccer.net.

#### MONDAYS

# Toy Time for Babies

The Banneker Community Center is brimming with toys and activities for your baby, and comfortable carpeting and chairs for you! Bring your baby and play anytime during the 2½ hours we are open. Siblings up to age 5 yrs. are welcome. Babies are also invited to Toy Time for Toddlers, Tu-F from 9:30 a.m.-noon and Physical Fridays, F from 9:30 a.m.-noon.

M • 9:30 a.m.-noon FREE • For ages newborn-5 vrs. w/parent. Banneker Community Center, 930 W. Seventh St.

# **Turf Time for Toddlers**



Our indoor turf field provides you and your young child with ample space to run, play on our obstacle course, and practice ball throwing and kicking skills. This free-time play is parent supervised while the TLRC provides all the equipment for an hour of healthy physical play. Check our monthly calendar for special Turf Time days when we'll have the bounce house and specially scheduled games. This is parent/guardian or caretaker supervised program. TLRC staff does not supervise this area during the program and children cannot be dropped off without a parent/guardian or caretaker. For more information, call Megan Schwartz at 349-3770.

M. W • 9:30–10:30 a.m. \$5, FREE for TLRC members. For ages 1-6 yrs. w/parent. Twin Lakes Recreation Center, 1700 W. Bloomfield Rd.

#### TUESDAYS

# **Toy Time for Toddlers**

Walk, jump, or hop into the spacious third floor of the Banneker Community Center. Meet other parents while your toddler plays with a variety of toys geared toward active preschoolers. Younger siblings are welcome!

Tu-F • 9:30 a.m.-noon FREE • For ages 2-5 yrs. w/parent. Banneker Community Center, 930 W. Seventh St.

# Music Capers for Preschoolers

Research supports that music helps prepare the mind for specific disciplines of learning, including math, science, and language. Music Capers combines early childhood educational philosophies with fundamentals of music education and preschool concepts. Using the power of music, tap into your preschooler's creative spirit and boundless energy. Focus on developing self-confidence so your preschooler will be ready for school and prepared for future music lessons. Instructor: Lisa Bruns

Tu 2/5-4/30 • 4:45-5:30 p.m. **Register by 2/4 (Code 47502-A)** \$90/in-city, \$100/non-city • For ages 3–5 yrs. w/parent. Twin Lakes Recreation Center, 1700 W. Bloomfield Rd.

# **Nature Tales: Salamanders**

Hear a story about salamanders, visit with a real live salamander, and learn about native salamanders in this program for preschoolers. Instructor: Sara Stonaha

Tu 3/19 • 10:30–11 a.m. • Register by 3/15 (Code 44001-A) \$2/in-city, \$3/non-city • For ages 2–5 yrs. w/parent. Banneker Community Center, 930 W. Seventh St.

# **Soccer Sport Shorties**



The indoor turf at the Twin Lakes Recreation Center is the ideal place for preschool athletes to learn the basic skills of team soccer! Athletes take part in fun, recreational drills to develop kicking, passing, and ball handling skills in this weekly program. Registration fee includes a T-shirt.

Tu  $2/5-3/5 \cdot 10-10:45$  a.m. Register by 1/25 (Code 47503-A) \$50/in-city, \$55/non-city • For ages 3–5 yrs. w/parent. Twin Lakes Recreation Center, 1700 W. Bloomfield Rd.

#### WEDNESDAYS

# **Wednesday Activity Time**



Every Wednesday the Banneker Family Resource Center hosts free, organized activities for your active preschooler. The program changes each week, but may include story time, arts and crafts, and exploration. The play room is open for free play if your child prefers not to participate in the structured activities.

W  $1/2-4/24 \cdot 10$  a.m.-noon For ages 1–5 yrs. w/parent. Banneker Community Center, 930 W. Seventh St.

### **Basketball Future Stars**



Give your preschooler a chance to explore the game of basketball! Young players get a foundation in ball handling skills with age-appropriate drills that teach the basics of dribbling, shooting, and passing. Instructors: Twin Lakes Recreation Center basketball staff

W  $2/6-2/27 \cdot 5:45-6:30$  p.m. Register by 1/30 (Code 35001-B) \$50/in-city, \$55/non-city • For ages 3–5 yrs. Twin Lakes Recreation Center, 1700 W. Bloomfield Rd.

#### THURSDAYS

# Kindermusik—Our Time for Toddlers



This class encourages your child to uncover an engaging musical world while building confidence, self-control and communication skills. Toddlers engage in singing, imitating sounds, rhyming, and object identification to foster language skills. Creative movement to various musical "moods" develops a sense of balance, timing, and spatial awareness. Specially designed instruments, exploration, movement and storytime encourage emergent literacy and help make this class enjoyable for caregivers and children alike.

Family materials are required, one per family.

Th 1/31-4/25 • 10:30-11:15 a.m. Register by 1/30 (Code 47501-A) \$100/in-city, \$110/non-city \$60 Family materials (Code 47501-B)



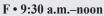
For ages 1–3 yrs. w/parent.

Class does not meet March 14 unless a make-up date is necessary due to an earlier weather cancellation. Twin Lakes Recreation Center, 1700 W. Bloomfield Rd.

#### FRIDAYS

# **Physical Fridays**

Each Friday the gym at the Banneker Community Center buzzes with preschool play. Your energetic child will love all the active, free-play options: mini basketball, hula hoop, riding toy cars, jumping, and running!



FREE • For ages 1–5 yrs. w/parent.

Banneker Community Center, 930 W. Seventh St.

#### SATURDAYS



Saturday, January 19 • 10:30 a.m.-noon Tuesday, January 22 • 5:45-7 p.m.

Twin Lakes Recreation Center, 1700 W. Bloomfield Rd. FREE • For ages newborn-5 yrs. w/parent.

Get a sample of our specialty classes. Instructor Lisa Bruns gives an interactive demonstration of Kindermusik's Our Time for Toddlers and her specially created Music Capers for Preschoolers.

# Tee Ball Sport Shorties

Sport Shortie participants learn the basic skills of baseball in a fun and safe atmosphere. Parent participation is welcome and encouraged. Price includes a team T-shirt and medal. There is one built-in rain date on June 15. If more than one weekend is rained out it will not be made up. Teams will be determined after the registration deadline. Parents will be notified of team placement by phone prior to season. For more information, contact Leslie Brinson at 349-3735.

In case of inclement weather, call the Sports Hotline at 349-3610.

Sat 4/27–6/8 • Times TBD • Register by 4/19 For ages 3-4 yrs. w/parent (Code 47506-A) For ages 5-6 yrs. w/parent (Code 47506-B) \$50/in-city, \$55/non-city Lower Cascades softball fields No games on May 25.

Volunteer coaches needed! If interested in coaching, contact Kim Ecenbarger at 349-3739 or ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov.

Coaches orientation: Th, 4/18, 6–7 p.m. at the Banneker Community Center, 930 W. Seventh St..

#### OTHER SPORTS

FRANK SOUTHERN ICE ARENA 2100 S. Henderson St. ICE INFORMATION HOTLINE: 349-3741

# Rink Season: October 12-February 28 **Public Skating**

Public Skating: October 12 through February 28

Monday through Thursday: Noon-2:30 p.m.

Friday: 7–9 p.m.

**Saturday:** 12:30–2 p.m.

7–9 p.m. (Lunar Skating) 9:15–11 p.m. (Night Owl)

**Sunday:** 3–5 p.m.

**General Admission: \$6** 

Skate Rental: \$3

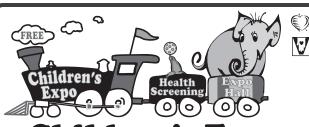
**Skate Sharpening:** \$5 and \$6 (immediate service) **Economy Pass:** \$54 (10 sessions, excludes skate rental)

# **Holiday Public Skating**

**December 22–23:** 1–7 p.m. December 24–25: Closed **December 26–30:** 1–7 p.m. **December 31:** Closed **January 1–6:** 1–7 p.m.

# **Bloomington Girls Softball**

Intro League play involves the use of a cloth-filled leather ball, tees, and coach pitch. A great first-time sports experience for youth ages 4-6 yrs. For more information contact Jeigh Hockersmith at 349-3774 or visit our Web site.



SPECIAL EVENTS

# Children's Expo

Saturday, February 16 1-4 p.m. • FREE Fairview Elementary School, 500 W. Seventh St.

It's the 28th annual Children's Expo and Health Fair at Fairview Elementary School. The Children's Expo features FREE health screenings for children ages 10 yrs. and younger. Health screenings ensure that preschool children begin school with no barriers to learning, and that children already in school have the best chance to be successful students.

For more information, contact Amy Shrake at 349-3747 or shrakea@bloomington.in.gov.

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